

Agreement Between the Commission and the Texas Department of Human Services (TDHS) as the Medicaid Eligibility Agency

The commission has an agreement with TDHS, the Title IV-A agency, that defines the responsibilities of the commission as Medicaid single state agency and of TDHS as the eligibility determination agency for the Medicaid program.

TDHS has a 10 regional offices administered by regional administrators who oversee the regional staff who make eligibility determinations for the Medicaid program.

The commission issues the policies and rules that the TDHS eligibility staff follow in determining eligibility. The TDHS staff includes Client Self-Support workers who interview applicants and determine eligibility for families and children for several federal and state programs including AFDC, Food Stamps, Medicaid for Children and Pregnant Women, Medically Needing Program, and other Medicaid programs. TDHS also has Medicaid Eligibility workers who interview clients and determine eligibility of aged and disabled clients for long term care services, including nursing home care and community care programs. The eligibility staff are responsible for interpretation and application of complex federal regulations and state rules and policies regarding each program, and for keeping up with frequent changes in the regulations, rules, and policies.

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